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In re Application of:)	
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SPOHN et al.)	
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Serial No.: 10/065,668)	
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Filed: November 7, 2002)	
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Title: FRONT-LOADING SYRINGE ADAPTER)	
FOR FRONT-LOADING MEDICAL)	
INJECTOR)	

REQUEST FOR MODIFICATION OF AND
RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Election Requirement mailed on August 18, 2004, Applicants hereby request modification of the election requirement and submit a response thereto based on the requested modification.

I. Modification Request

Applicants request that Fig. 16 be included in the species of Figs. 10-11 because the application discloses that the injector head shown in Fig. 16 is used in connection with the adapter shown in Figs. 10-11. (See App. Publication at paragraph 0019 and paragraph 0020, page 3, right column, lines 3-9 and 15-27.)

II. Election of Species and Readable Claims

Based on the requested modification provided above, Applicants hereby elect the adapter species of Figs. 10-11 and the piston species of Figs. 14-15.

The following claims are readable on the species of Fig. 10-11 and 14-15: Claims 1-3, 5-29, 31, 32, 34-37, 39-52, 54, 55 and 57-63.

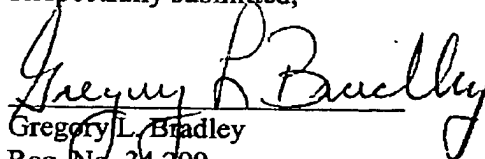
III. Generic Claims

Applicants submit that the following claims are generic to all the species of the invention: Claims 1-3, 9-29, 35-37 and 41-52.

If there are any matters that need to be addressed in view of the above, the examiner is invited to contact the under-signed attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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